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SUBJECT: INDIAN OFFICIALS TO VISIT MALDIVES TO RAISE
CONCERNS ABOUT STABILITY THERE

Classified By: Charge d'Affaires Peter Burleigh for Reasons 1.4 (B, D)

[¶1.](#) (C) Foreign Secretary Menon told Charge on June 26 that he would be traveling with National Security Adviser Narayanan to the Maldives June 29-30 to address their growing concern over Maldivian internal stability. Menon related that India feared the one "stable" nation in the region was at risk, expressing dismay over the current "disconnect" between the newly elected government and the Maldivian Constitutional Assembly.

[¶2.](#) (C) Menon and Narayanan are also likely to put pressure on the Maldivian government to monitor Lashkar-e-Taayba (LeT) activity in its territory. Expressing his concern over increasing radicalization and LeT involvement in the Maldives, Menon pointed out that 30 or more Maldivian individuals had been either killed or captured in SWAT. India would like to see the Maldivian government do as much as possible to stem LeT's activities there.
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